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QUIET PERIOD ANNOUNCED FOR MINNESOTA INDEPENDENT EQUAL ACCESS CORPORATION PETITION

WC Docket No. 22-407

By this public notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau announces the beginning of the two-week quiet period¹ relating to a forbearance petition filed by the Minnesota Independent Equal Access Corporation (MIEAC) on November 22, 2022, seeking relief from dominant carrier regulation with respect to its provision of centralized equal access service.²

Section 1.58 of the Commission's rules governing forbearance petitions under section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, provides for a two-week quiet period before the statutory deadline for Commission action in forbearance proceedings.³ The statutory deadline for Commission action on MIEAC's petition is November 22, 2023.⁴ Accordingly, the quiet period for this proceeding begins at 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on November 8, 2023,⁵ and all presentations to decision makers concerning MIEAC's petition are prohibited beginning at that time.⁶

For further information regarding the above, please contact Erik Raven-Hansen, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, at (202) 418-1532, or via email at Erik.Raven-Hansen@fcc.gov.

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¹ 47 CFR § 1.58; see also *Petition to Establish Procedural Requirements to Govern Proceedings for Forbearance Under Section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended*, WC Docket No. 07-267, Report and Order, 24 FCC Rcd 9543, 9560-61, para. 33 (2009) (*Forbearance Procedures Order*).

² Petition of Minnesota Independent Equal Access Corporation for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) from Regulation as a Dominant Carrier, WC Docket No. 22-407 (filed Nov. 22, 2022) (Petition). On January 6, 2023, the Commission issued a Public Notice seeking comment on the Petition. *Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on MIEAC's Petition for Forbearance from Dominant Carrier Regulations*, WC Docket No. 22-407, Public Notice, DA 22-1242 (WCB Dec. 1, 2022).

³ 47 CFR § 1.58.

⁴ 47 U.S.C. § 160(c).

⁵ "Absent unusual circumstances, this quiet period will end with the release of a Commission order addressing the forbearance petition[s], or if approved by the Commission, withdrawal of the petition by the petitioner." *Forbearance Procedures Order*, 24 FCC Rcd at 9561, para. 34.

⁶ 47 CFR §§ 1.58, 1.1203.